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ONE LIFE AND MUCH VALUABLE PROPERTY IS THE TOLL OF BIG FIRE AT MONONGAHELA

Cruesome Discovery Made This Morning of Body of John Bowden, of Monongahela in Ruins of Young Building

TOTAL DAMAGE IS $25,000

Only Part Insurance Carried, Charleroi Firm Having It—Charleroi Firemen Make Quick Run to Scene and Help Control Flames.

In the most disastrious and spectacular fire that has occurred in Monongahela in years, a large three-story structure belonging to H. H. Young, located on Railroad street between First and Second street was compietely destroyed Friday night. One life was lost, as was learned this morning, that of John Bowden, aged about 45 years. A part of his head was missing, and his legs were practically gone. It had been thought until this gruesome discovery was made that all had escaped from the building. Bowden is believed to have been sleeping and to have awakened too late to get out.

The combined losses of the property owner and the tenants will probably aggregate between $25,000 and $30,000.

To check the flames that threatened to do even greater damage, Charleroi, Monessen and Donora were called upon to give assistance and apparatus and firemen from the two former places were rushed to Monongahela. Donora answered the appeal for help but an accident occurred and the hose cart did not arrive.

For two hours the flames raged in the big building and shot high in the air, causing an illumination that could be seen a great distance.

Only the most heroic and strenuous efforts on the part of the combined fire departments of Monongahela, Charleroi and Monessen kept the fire from communicating to nearby structures. Time and again it seemed these latter were doomed but always the firemen were equal to the occasion.

On the first floor, H. H. Young had a transfer department and used the second for storage purposes. W. S. Pollock, also, had a livery stable on the lower floor of the structure. Charles Hill, a contractor, was a third floor tenant and Rose Stoker lived in rooms in the read of the topmost floor.

Mr. Young carries $6,000 insurance with the Peoples's Realty Company of Charleroi. Pollock was able to rescue all of his horses and vehicles but had other equipment destroyed. Young, Hill and Rose Stoker were unable to save any of their prop-

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HIGH RIVER CAUSES WORK TO BE STOPPED

Waters of Monongahela Rising Rapidly From Rains Along Watershed and Heavy Snows in the Mountainous Sections

The continued rains all day Friday and Friday night with a heavy fall of snow over the countain districts caused an unexpected swell in the Monongahela river. A flood stage was attained at Lock No. 4 at about noon today. The river was reported to be rising at that time at the rate of about four inches an hour.

The locks are flooded and navigation has been suspended. Work on the new lock at No. 4 has been suspended. This is virtually the first halt by reason of bad weather or high water in the work on the construction of the new inner lock.

Warnings were sent out from Pittsburg early Friday evening to points along the river to prepare for a flood. Extra precautions were taken at once to secure all boats and loaded craft. No coal shipments will be made until after the river recedes.

SACRED CANTATA IS WELL RENDERED AT LOCAL CHURCH

"InExcelsis," Under Direction of A. H. Bosson Much Enjoyed—Incidental Program Is Pleasing.

The chorus choir of the Methodist Episcopal church, augmented for the occasion by a few outside singers, presented in excellent style the sacred Christmas cantata, "In Excelsis," Hall, at the church Friday evening, with a fair-sized crowd present. The presentation was under the capable direction of A. H. Bosson. Preceding the cantata an especially pleasing musical program was rendered consisting of an organ number, "Prelude in G Major," Mendelssohn, by Mrs. Floyd Chalfant; an anthem, "O Sing to God," Gounor by the chorus; a baritone horn solo, "Grand Air Varie," Dupont by E. Dupont; a soprano and tenor duet, "A Song of Praise" Goublier, Miss Mary Glunt and Earl Nicholson and a violin solo, "Legende," Wieniawski. These numbers were all particularly well done and roundly applauded. Mrs. Chalfant played accompaniments. The cantata proper was unusually well handled, with much credit going to Mr. Bosson. An orchestra helped greatly with the accompaniment. Solo parts sung by Miss Elizabeth Frew, Joseph Pearson, Miss Mary Glunt, Earl Nicholson, Mrs. A .G. Lewis, Miss Helen Woodhall and Miss Price G. Frye were well taken and well received. A quartet number by Miss Frew, Miss Carrie Knock, Lambert Heaton and L. E. Jobes won much appreciation. Taken as a whole the entire cantata was a creditable performance. The cantata proper will be repeated at the church on Sunday morning, December 26.

CLAIMS $10,000 BECAUSE OF LOSS OF FINGERS IN A FAN

Washington Man Accuses Concern For Which He Worked of Negligence in Leaving Fan Run

Thomas Boyce of Washington has filed a suit against the Tyler Tube & Pipe company of Washington in which he claims $10,000 damages for personal injuries received while employed at said company's mill. He was injured on February 5, 1914.

On that date he slipped and fell against a fan in the mill, his left hand being caught by the rapidly revolving machinery. His hand was seriously hurt and two fingers severed and a third so badly mangled it had to be amputated.

It is claimed that the company was negligent in permitting this fan, located in an opening or aperture in the brick wall of the boiler house at the mill, to remain uncovered and exposed.

At the time he was hurt Mr. Boyce was employed there and was going about his work he avers when he slipped and in endeavoring to save himself from a fall his hand went through the opening and into the rapidly revolving fan.

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MRS. SPHAR DIES IN LONG BRANCH

Well Known Woman Succumbs to Illness of Extended Duration

FUNERAL SERVICES MONDAY

Mrs. Sarah Jane Sphar, aged 65 years and 9 months died at 2:30 o'clock this morning at her home in Long Branch borough, near Twilight, after an extended illness of dropsy and a complication of ailments. Mrs. Sphar was the wife of John Sphar, and a member of one of the best known families of the southwestern section of Washington county.

Mrs. Sphar was the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Cornelius McKenna, of Washington county. Forty-three years ago she was married to John Sphar, and they took up their residence in Long Branch where they have since lived.

The following sons and daughters survive: Mrs. Frank Allen of Seattle, Wash., Mrs. John Botten of Charleroi, Mrs. Jerry Bowers, of Woodlawn, Mrs. Mott. Mason of McKeesport, Mrs. Henry Mancha of Twilight, Mrs. James A. Sphar of Twilight borough; Lawrence Sphar of Charleroi; John Sphar of Charleroi and Russel Sphar of Woodlawn.

The funeral services will be held on Monday at 1 o'clock at the Mount Tabor church, conducted by Rev. William Hogg, and assisted probably by Rev. H. J. Giles of McKeesport. Interment will be in the Mount Tabor cemetery.

Estate Goes to Five Children

By the will of Eugenie Aigrissi, late of Charleroi, her estate goes to her five children, Amelia, Gerard, Elmer, Honorine and Jules. Letters are issued to Gerard Aigrissi.

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RED CROSS SEAL FUNDS TO BE AVAILABLE IN EACH COMMUNITY

OTHER CORPORATIONS EXEMPTED FROM INSURING UNDER STATE LAW

Vesta Coal Company, and Bell Telephone Company Among Others Arrange Own Insurance.

At Friday's meeting of the Workmen's Compensation Cimmission at Harrisburg the subject of insurance for a number of corporations not having been definitely settled it was decided to hold a session next Tuesday in connection with the insurance board of the commission.

The following companies were announced as being exempted from insurance: New York Central Railroad company, New York; Jones & Laughlin Steel company, Aliquippa & Southern Railroad Company, Blair Limestone Company, Woodlawn Land Company, the Vesta Coal Company, Woodlawn Water Company, the Monongahela connecting Railroad Company, Woodlawn and Southern Street Railway Company all of Pittsburg. The Bell Telephone Company of Pennsylvania, Landis Tool Company, Waynesboro, Pa; Cruible Steel Company of America; the Peoples Natural Gas Company, Pittsburg and Buffalo, Rochester & Pittsburg Railway Company, Rochester, N. Y.

SCHOOL CLOSE FOR HOLIDAYS

Schools were closed Friday for the annual holiday vacation, and will not be reopened again until January 3, the first Monday in the new year. During the last week final examinations have been in order, and percentage slips given.

Teachers are taking advantage of the opportunity to visit at their homes over Christmas. A number are planning to attend the Pennsylvania State Educational Association convention at Scranton the last week of the month.

McHenry Electrocuted.

Harry McHenry, aged about 27, son of Squire McHenry of West Newton was electrocuted while at work at West Newton Thursday.

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State Society Says 77 1-2 Per Cent Goes to Locality Selling Them

LOCAL COMMITTEE IS DISSOLVED

Athene Club Taking up Sale Here, Meanwhile Laying Plans for Next Year—Monessen Does Well With Its Sale.

That the larger part of the earnings from the sale of Red Cross seals here will be devoted to the campaign locally toward the prevention and cure of tuberculosis is now certain. A representative of the Pennsylvania Society for the Prevention of Tuberculosis who was here within the last few days suggested that the lead of other communities where the sale has been conducted be followed here, which is in effect that 77 1-2 per cent of the proceeds be used in the local fight.

Until this information was given it was considered that practically all the funds from any local sale, with other funds similarly secured from other points, went to a general fight. However, through special provisions each community can use the greater part of its own fund.

The Athene club took up the sale in the beginning, receiving from the state society 15,000 seals. The Boy Scouts disposed of about $25 worth of seals and $25 worth were sold in another way. The sale is now being con-

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MAJESTIC THEATRE

MONDAY

Gold Rooster. Richard Carle and Marie Mayne in "Mary's Lamb," 5 parts.

TUESDAY

Big Four, Edwin Arden in the "Eagles Nest," 6 parts.

WEDNESDAY

Mutual, Ernest Glendinning and Winifred Kingston in "The Seventh Moon." Also, "Neal of the Navy."

THURSDAY

Blue Ribbon Vitagraph. Antonia Moreno and Edith Storey in "The Dust of Egypt," 7 parts.

FRIDAY

Equitable. Cyril Scott in "Not Guilty." 5 parts.

SATURDAY

A surprise for old and young. Announcement later. 158-t1

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A PARTY AFRAID OR ITSELF

In the last congress the Democratic majority in the house was 135. The ratio of Democrats and Republicans was as slightly more than two to one. The committees of the house contain twenty-one members and the Democrats were justified in arranging the number to comprise fourteen Democrats to seven Republicans.

In this congress the Democratic majority is only twenty-five, remarks the Washington Observer. The ratio of Democrats to Republicans is but slightly more than one to one: and the committees containing twenty-one members should comprise eleven Democrats and ten Republicans—or, at the utmost, twelve Democrats and nine Republicans.

Yet the Democrats intend to make no such arrangement. They propose to maintain their numerical ascendancy on the committee. Publicly they give no reason for this except that they have the power to do so and that they intend to exercise that power. Privately, however it is well known that the Democratic leaders are afraid to diminish their party representation on the committees of the house.

The Democratic party is honeycombed with sedition. One or two Bryan men on a committee, made up in just proportions, could at any time throw the control of the committee into Republican hands. The house is full of prospective rebels and the leaders intend to take no chances.

In effect, the Democratic party is afraid of itself. It cannot trust to the loyalty of its own members. Yet that party, in such a condition, is entering upon a session of congress in which larger and more momentous issues are at stake than for a generation of past legislation. That party, in such a condition, expects to control the decision of those issues. God save the United States of America.

RED CROSS SEAL

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tinued in a more active manner than ever, in an effort to realize $100 on the total sale in Charleroi. This will mean this community will have $77.59 for carrying on the fight on tuberculosis. Next year plans will be laid for a more active sale.

Monessen, which learned of the provisions of the sale earlier than did Charleroi and having a state tuberculosis dispensary located there has disposed of about $600 worth of Red Cross seals. This will mean about $452 for Monessen alone.

A local committee to look after the sale consists of Mrs. V. P. Stewart, Mrs. T. M. Faddis, Mrs. R. C. Mountsier, Mrs. A. O. Davis, Mrs. Earl Piper, Mrs. C. S. VanVoorhis and Mrs. Edwin McKay.

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COAL CASE SETTLED AND CICCI WILL GET $2,600

In the suit of Carmine Cicci against the Diamond Coal & Coke Co., taken up Thursday in common pleas court, a settlement was reached Friday, a verdict taken and the case concluded. Considerable testimony had been offered by the plaintiff to substantiate his claim for damages. By the terms of the settlement the plaintiff is given $2,600.

He put his claim at about $8,000. This, however, was based on the allegation that the coal company had removed practically all the coal from under his small tract of land in Carroll township.

It was ascertained that only about a third of the coal had been taken. This coal, however, happened to be under the plaintiff's buildings, and he alleges damage was done these by reason of the surface sinking. The damages given will practically cover any loss the plaintiff sustained. It does not give the defendant company the right to go ahead and mine any more coal of the plaintiff, unless they pay for the same.

This closed court for the week and all the jurors were excused until Monday at 1 o'clock.

Boy's! Enter the prize contest, get your Erector outfit at Berryman's Store. 155t6

ATHENE CLUB YULETIDE MEETING HELD WITH MRS. C. R. PEREGRINE

The Yuletide meeting of the Athene club was held Friday afternoon at the home of Mrs. C. R. Peregrine, when entertainment was furnished by a committee consisting of Mrs. Peregrine, Mrs. Edwin McKay, Mrs. V. P. Stewart, Mrs. A. O. Davis and Mrs. Thomas Brown. Various interesting Christmas contests were conducted, beginning with a Shakespearian contest. A musical program was rendered by Misses Della Jacobs and May Barth and Miss Bertha Haines. Miss Jacobs and Miss Barth played a piono duet and Miss Haines contributed a vocal solo.

WARREN KINDER TAKES DONORA CHOIR POSITION

C. Warren Kinder has accepted the position of soloist and director of the choir at the United Presbyterian church and on last Sunday delighted the congregation with the best musical program heard there in many years. Mr. Kinder has a splendid tenor voice and his solos at the services in the future will be looked forward to with a great deal of pleasure by the members and friends of the church in the training of a splendid choir which is rendering somee excellent music.—Donora American.

Buy your Christmas trees at Monack's corner Seventh and Fallowfield avenues. Across from Postoffice. 158-t6

DEED OF ASSIGNMENT ON THE DRUM PROPERTY

A deed of assignment for the benefit of his creditors has been executed by R. B. Drum of California in favor of T. J. Underwood. His real estate which is listed, consists of two unimproved lots fronting 150 feet on Ash street, California; also two lots fronting 82 feet on Second street, California, on which is erected a garage and other small buildings; also a lot in the borough of Twilight on which is a storeroom and barn and a lot in Allenport on which is erected a two-story dwelling. T. J. Underwood, the assignee, presented a petition to the court for permission to sell the personal property, consisting of three stores, one at Fredericktown, one at Allenport and one at Granville, each with a stock of groceries and general merchandise. The court granted permission for the assignee to keep the said stores open for the purpose of selling the stock on hands. The court appointed W. J. Weaver and [illegible] Doherty as appraisers of the estate.

ANNUAL PUBLIC MEETING HELD BY JUNIOR SOCIETY

Washington Avenue Presbyterian Church Scene of Interesting Entertainment Friday Evening.

The Junior Christian Endeavor society of the Washington Avenue Presbyterian church held their annual public meeting in the Sunday school room of the church. An exercise entitled "Carrying the Light of Life" was carried out by 25 children. The platform was darkened and each child held a taper as other countries received the Bible from America. Their tapers were lit. A number of musical selections were given. The junior pennants made a nice showing. The program was directed by Mrs. G. M. Stewart, Miss Sophia Michener and Miss Elma Gelder.

Men Needed at Up-River Mines

Eight hundred men are needed at the Crescent and Vesta No. 4 mines according to one who is in touch with the situation. If the expected rise in the southern rivers come soon all records of coal out-put from the California vicinity will be broken.

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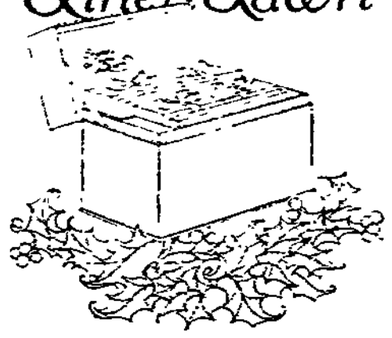

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Car Cleaner Killed.

Jeremiah Lanning aged 54, colored a car cleaner for the P. & L. E. railroad was fatally injured early at Brownsville Junction when he was run down by engine No. 122, shifting on the Monongahela Railway tracks.

Ladies of the Christian church will hold a sale of fancy work, domestic articles and dolls at Henry Sheets office Tuesday all day and evening. 158-t1

W. A. P. Young Men's Bible class Sunday morning at 9:45. Place, corner Washington avenue and Fifth street. Subject, "Christmas A. D. 1 and A. D. 1915." 158t1p

Get your Stamped Linen at Berryman's. 155t6

Card of Thanks.

Mr. and Mrs. I. H. Kindall and family wish to express their thanks for their friends kindness during their bereavement. 157t1p

VAN T. SHEPLER DIES AT HIS HOME IN VANDEGRIFT

News of the death of Van T. Shepler, head of the Van T. Shepler company, conducting a chain of dry goods stores, has been received. Death occurred at Vandegrift Thursday. He is survived by his widow, two sons and one daughter, together with his father and brother at Webster. The funeral will be held Sunday at 2 o'clock.

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APEX OF WASHINGTON SHAFT

Few People Know Purpose of Parallel Iron Bands That Bind Brow of Monument.

Few persons who have seen the Washington monument, even those who have lived within sight of it all their lives, have noticed that the apex of the monument is surrounded with parallel bands. Such is the fact, however; and moreover, the bands are studded with golden points. The bands are made of gold-plated iron a foot wide and the points are spaced a foot from one another.

For a few moments in each sunny day of the first week of the new year the golden fillet that binds the brow of the Washington monument is visible to human eyes. Then the angle of incidence of the sun's rays is such that they are reflected downward to the windows of the buildings north and west of the monument, and the cool, gray surface is seen to be marked with eleven shining lines of gold.

Theoretically, a similar effect could be obtained from some point of observation at each moment when the sun's rays are intercepted by the sloping top of the monument, but only an airship could attain the necessary vantage point.

According to the original plan of the monument, it was protected from lightning by an aluminum tip that was connected with the metal framework of the elevator. During the very first summer after the monument was completed, however, it was struck twice and a piece of stone was clipped from the top.

Experts from the scientific departments of the government were called on to contrive a plan for the better protection of the shaft, and they decided that copper bands, studded with projecting points, would accomplish the purpose. Colonel Casey, who had charge of the work, objected on the ground that copper would turn green and that the verdigris would "run" and spoil the appearance of the monument; he also doubted that the copper would have the necessary tensile strength.

So the men of science agreed on a number of iron bands, heavily galvanized and gold-plated to prevent rusting. The bands are connected with the aluminium point of the monument and the framework of the elevator, and at the base iron cables lead the electricity into a deep well, where it harmlessly expends its force. The protection has proved to be perfect.—Youth's Companion.

ODGED SCHOOL, MADE 'PILE'

ountry Boy Returns Home After Few Weeks' Absence Driving a Racing Car.

Hutchinson, Kan.—Henry Koehn, a ountry boy from Galva, McPherson ounty, was sent to Hutchinson a few eeks ago by his father to get an edcation in a business college. His faher gave him $250 and good advice.

"Now, Henry, be careful," his father dvised. "This will be enough money. ou can't have extras." Henry came ck home, driving a 1915 model race g roadster. He wore a tailor-made it and a diamond ring. Also he had his pocket a bank book showing at he had $2,500 or more on deposit a bank.

A few days after his arrival in utchinson with his $250, he fell in ith a friend of his father, a grain an. Henry was tempted. He inested his $250 in wheat. Usually it ns out the other way. In Henry's se it didn't. Some say he cleaned as much as $7,000. Henry is not ing to school.

WORLD'S GREATEST CHOIR

thedral of Alexander Nevoski, in Petrograd, Said to Have Finest Body of Singers.

In many departments Russia has oved herself the greatest of all counies. Her dancers are the world's est, her novelists are certainly ong the world's greatest novelists, Cossacks—ask the Austrians!—e the world's fiercest fighters.

She also possesses the world's fin choir. This is in the cathedral of xander Nevoski, in Petrograd, and ttached to a convent erected in nor of the patron saint of Russia. consists of about thirty members monks, chosen from the best sing in all the Russian monasteries.

Their voices are amazingly sweet strong, and every member of the oir can, it is said, shatter an ordiry glass into fragments merely by ging into it, so powerful are the rations of each voice.

These monks are trained as rigorly as any opera singer, and their ole duty at the monastery is to as at the music at mass in the morn and vespers in the afternoon. hen too old for service they are re d on pensions.

Unlike most monks, they are exedingly fastidious about their arance, and every night put up r hair and whiskers in paper.—ntreal Herald.

Happiness.

I have tried all sorts of happi, and it never lasts" said a iled, petulant, cynical woman.

Did you ever try forgetting yourf for six months?" said a shrewd ser. The question went to the rt of the trouble. To paraphrase old proverb, when self comes in at door, happiness flies out of the dow.

Bits of Byplay

By Luke McLuke

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Uplift.

The editor said: "Why not
Give me some credit, pray?
I figure it I've up to date
Mashing most every day."

The Wise Fool.

"It is more blessed to give than to receive," quoted the sage.

"Yes," agreed the fool. "But most of us know it only from hearsay."

Huh!

When courting life is one sweet smile,
For he and she can both agree.
But, after they've been wed awhile,
They both agree to disagree.

An Optimist.

"Did our candidate take his defeat cheerfully?" asked Brown.

"Yes," replied Smith. "He said that he had always been anxious to find out what crow tasted like."

No Joke.

"A funny critter is a man,"
Said wise old Ezra Pushing;
"He has no use for things that can
Be had just for the asking."

Correct.

"I haven't been able to get a cent from you in a year," complained the merchant. "It is people like you who are ruining this country. You run up bills and won't pay them. You are human barnacles, and you take food out of the mouths of other men."

"Is that so!" demanded Sloppy. "Why, if it were not for people like me there would be a million men out of employment."

"I like your nerve," exclaimed the merchant. "May I ask what these million men do who are kept employed by deadbeats like yourself?"

"They are collectors," replied Sloppy.

Them "Funny" Plays.

His face is drawn with grief and woe,
This gloomiest of men;
He went to see a "funny" show
And never smiled again.

Ouch!

The only excitement here this year on circus day was when one of the show ladies poked her finger through a hole in the dressing room tent and pinked a prominent citizen in the eye. —Kennedy (Minn.) Star.

Hooray!

"Hats off!" I cry,
To Adam Pfaff,
Who has a si-
Lent phonograph.
—Cincinnati Enquirer.

And bow ye low
To Willie Wessons,
Who's given up
His fiddle lessons.
—Macon Telegraph.

We make so bold
To hail Miss Hannah;
She's gone and sold
That there piano.
—Columbia State.

In Luke McLukeville.

Pretty Cincinnati girls will meet visitors at the trains. This will cause brides to fight shy of the Queen City on the bridal tour.—Washington Post.

And here's what, at no distant date, you can expect to read about having happened in Luke McLukeville:

In dingy train shed
A lovely corn fed
Meets romantic Ned;
Later they are wed.
—Zanesville (O.) Signal.

Things to Worry About.

The shah is the only man in Persia who can dye the tails of his horses red.

Our Daily Special.

Fortune may be fickle, but misfortune is faithful.

Luke McLuke Says:

Some married men seem so happy that they give you the impression that they married because they figured it was cheaper to be sued for divorce than for breach of promise.

A man can seldom find any reason to listen to the man who wants him to listen to reason.

The reason why a girl is so embarrassed when her best fellow calls and finds her with her hair hanging down her back and flowing over her shoulders is because she has spent three hours in front of a mirror arranging it so she would look charming when he called and caught her by surprise.

City girls do not like to be dressed alike. But in a country town every girl in the neighborhood gets a turn at borrowing the same shirt waist pattern.

The woman who fails to attend the weekly session of her Gab club always wonders why she feels so run down all afternoon.

A man can fool all the rest of the people all the time. But his wife always has his number.

Any time a man's wife catches him with the goods, and he manages to lie out of it, he begins to regard our diplomatic corps as a lot of pinheaded pikers.

You may be able to force an old fashioned man to wear evening dress and a boiled shirt after he becomes wealthy, but you can't convince him that he is eating dinner at supper time.

The trouble with painting the town red is that you have to use your nose as the brush, and you can't remove the paint from the brush.

Sublimity of Christ's Birth

"We find that some celebrated the Saviour's birth by publishing what they had heard and seen, and truly we may say of them that they had something to rehearse in men's ears well worth the telling. That something had in it the inimitable blending which is the secret sign and royal mark of divine authorship, a peerless marrying of sublimity and simplicity, angels singing, singing to shepherds; heaven bright with glory, bright at midnight; God, a Babe, the Infinite, an Infant of a span long, the Ancient of Days, born of a woman! What more simple than the inn, the manger, a carpenter, a carpenter's wife, a child? What more sublime than the "multitude of heavenly host" waking the midnight with their joyous chorales and God himself in human flesh made manifest? A child is but an ordinary sight, but what a marvel to see that Word, which was "in the beginning with God, tabernacling among us, that we might behold his glory, the glory as of the only begotten of the father, full of grace and truth!"—Rev. Charles H. Spurgeon.

Christmas Bells

Shout aloud hosanna!
Oh, list the Christmas bells!
Hearken to the story
Their joyous music tells.
In Bethlehem, Judea,
Bathed in heaven's glow,
Lies the Christ, the Saviour,
In a manger low.

Peace, good will, he's bringing
To trusting souls on earth.
Angel hosts are singing
"Glory to God" at his birth.
Lo, the humble shepherds
Join the anthem sweet,
Leave their bleating flocks alone
The infant Christ to greet!

Still the bells are ringing,
Sounding forth his praise.
The wise man from the far east
His grateful homage pays.
And we, O King, thy children,
Humbly bend the knee.
Take our lives, O Saviour,
A Christmas gift to thee!
—Mary Rennick.

The Nativity.

The Nativity has found its best treatment in painting. The early painters dealt only with the fundamental theme—the Virgin, in humility and adoration and without the holy joy that the Christ Child had been born into the world, largely introduced by later artists; St. Joseph, gravely, wonderingly silent, the shepherds and the hymning angels. The chronology of the several events generally grouped under the subject of the Nativity has, of course, scant observance, as a rule, at the hands of the artists. The adoration of the Magi and the annunciation to the shepherds are depicted on the same canvas. An altar piece now in the Metropolitan Art Museum, New York city, makes use of the simultaneous scene in its arrangement. The shepherds are hearing the message of the angels, and the kings come not, however, as commonly shown, with gifts of gold, frankincense and myrrh, but unattended.

Boys! Enter the prize contest, get your Erector outfit at Berryman's Store. 155t6

Fox Farms Fail.

Many failures in the new industry of fox farming in Alaska are recorded by E. Lester Jones, deputy commissioner of fisheries, in the report on his recent investigation in Alaska for the department of commerce. He finds that the promise of big profits caused many to rush into the business, and small fortunes were sunk by men who did not understand the difficulties of the industry.

The rush to raise foxes, the commissioner says, was due to the exorbitant prices paid for live black and silver-gray foxes raised in Canada. These prices, he declares, did not indicate a healthy condition in the industry. Nevertheless there was a rush to raise foxes in Alaska in the hope of reaping big profits quickly. One of the chief reasons for the large majority of failures, according to the commissioner, was the government's system of leasing certain islands to prospective fox farmers at a minimum of $200 a year for five years. The figure proved too high.

QUESTIONS

You Might Want Answered About Our 1916 Christmas Savings Club

1. QUESTION—What is the purpose of your Christmas Savings Club?
ANSWER—To prove to you that a little money laid aside each week where you cannot use it for fifty weeks will give you a sum that will not only be welcomed but surprise you next Christmas. It is accomplished easily because you have a definite aim in mind with determination behind it.
2. QUESTION—Does each member deposit the same amount?
ANSWER—No, see the table at the bottom of this advertisement.
3. QUESTION—Is there any membership fee?
ANSWER—No. All it costs is to omit a few trifling indulgencies which you can get along without, and never miss. It costs a little bit of determination to do a sensible act for your own pleasure later.
QUESTIONHow do I become a member?
ANSWER—Come to this Bank, ask to be enrolled, and make the first week's deposit?
5. QUESTION—When and how are the deposits made?
ANSWER—Monday is deposit day, but you can bring your money on any other day of the calendar week before Saturday. You pay in advance for as many weeks as you choose.
QUESTION—Do I get a bank book ora receipt?
ANSWER—With your first deposit we give you an Account Deposit Book which is filled with duplicate receipts; one for us to tear out and retain, the other for you—which remains in the book. This shows continually how much you have deposited. This book you bring, send or mail each time you make a deposit.
QUESTION—Do I have to deposit every time in person?
ANSWER—No. Deposits can be made by yourself in person, sent by a messenger you can trust, or you can mail a check, draft, money order or currency in a registered letter. Be sure to send the Account Deposit Book each time.
8. QUESTION—Suppose I fail tokeep up my payments. Do I get my money back?
ANSWER—Your money is always safe, and will be returned to you at the end of the Club term.
9. QUESTION—When and how can I draw out my money?
ANSWER—Under no circumstances are members allowed to draw out any part of their deposits until the end of the Club term
10. QUESTION—How long is the Club term?
ANSWER—The Club term is fifty weeks from the date of your first receipt in your Account Deposit Book.
11. QUESTION—Suppose my deposit book should be lost, stolen or destroyed?
ANSWER—Your money is always safe in this Bank. We have a complete record of all your payments. We will return your money at the end of the Club term just the same as though you had all your receipts. However you should notify us at once of the loss of your Account Deposit Book so that we may give you a new one.
12. QUESTION—Can I make up back payments?
ANSWER—You may make them up by depositing sufficient money, but you will lose the interest on your savings. Your payments must be made weekly, or in advance, or no interest can be allowed.

The Five Classes of Payments for Christmas Club

Deposit 25 cents for fifty weeks and you will have accumulated $12.50.
Deposit 50 cents for fifty weeks and you will have accumulated $25.00.
Deposit $1.00 for fifty weeks and you will have accumulated $50.00.
Deposit $2.00 for fifty weeks and you will have accumulated $100.00.
Deposit $5.00 for fifty weeks and you will have accumulated $250.00.

YOU'LL THANK US

We urge you to take up this Christmas Savings plan as it will teach you to be thrifty, to deny yourself of many of thelittle indulgences which you will never miss. It is so easy to follow out, and we do all the work. All you have to do is to determine to do it, and the battle is half over. It is very hard to save money all by yourself and keep it with you in thehouse, but if you put it where you cannot get it for fifty weeks, it teaches you restraint and is a good lesson for future success. One great financier has said—"Watch that man, if he cannot save he will never succeed." You will be mighty glad Christmas night when all the presents have been distributed that you followed our advice.

URGE YOUR FRIENDS

Persuade your friends to go into this savings system, and you will always have their life-long thanks for starting them. Join at once.

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Here's one more Charleroi case.

Mrs. Charles Bromwich, 714 Washington avenue, Charleroi says: "I had a severe attack of kidney disease. I suffered from pain across the small of my back and had headaches and a constant, tired feeing. Nothing I took helped me. After using Doan's Kidney Pills a few days, I felt better and I continued until I was permanently cured."

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If you suffer with any of these peculiar ailments causing pain in the head, back, or bowels, feeling of weight and dragging-down sensation, falling or displacement of pelvic organs, causing kidney and bladder weakness or constipation, irregular, painful or irregular periods, catarrhal conditions and discharges, extreme nervousness, dizziness, spells, melancholy, desire to cry, fear of something evil about to happen, creeping feeling along the spine, palpitation, hot flashes, weakness, sallow complexion with dark circles under the eyes, pain in the left breast, or a general feeling that life is not worth living,

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and learn how these ailments can be easily and completely conquered at home without the danger and expense of an operation. When you are cured, and able to enjoy life again, you can thank the good Lord and Mother Shipton. My home treatment is for young or old. To Mothers of Daughters, I will explain how to overcome secret troubles, and bring back the roses to pale cheeks. I have made young women old restore them to plumpness and health. Tell me if you are worried about your daughter. Remember, it costs you nothing to prove what the treatment a ten days' trial, and does not interfere with daily work. If health is worth asking for, then accept my generous offer and write for the free treatment, including my illustrated booklet, "Woman's Own Medical Adviser." I will send all in plain wrappers postpaid. To save time you can cut out this offer, mark your feelings, and return to me. Send today, as you may not see this offer again. Address,

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SOME WILL DISBELIEVE THIS

That Fair Girl Graduate Neglected Familiar Phrase Is Too Much to Take on Faith.

Confronted by eager friends and relatives in the auditorium the fair young girl graduate sallied forth to the center of the platform to deliver her commencement peroration. Everyone expected her to strew the wild flowers of rhetoric around the building with a lavish hand and they were not disappointed. Beginning almost in the Garden of Eden, she brilliantly traced the great events of history and endeavored to point the lesson that each happening should teach. She dragged poor Julius Caesar from his mausoleum and ghoulishly lugged him across the Rubicon again, helped Horatio make good his long suit at the bridge and even endeavored to portray where Napoleon Bonaparte had erred.

Coming down the home stretch the talented young lady breezed along under wraps.

"Now, my classmates," she said in conclusion, "we have reached the parting of the ways. We must now show the stuff of which we are made and get out in the world and hustle. Let us put forth all our energies to make our efforts a success, thereby repaying our proud forbears for the many sacrifices they have made that we might be scientifically equipped for the herculean struggle on which we must embark."

With these fitting words, the fair graduate brought her valedictory to a close. And never once did she proclaim to an unsuspecting public that "Beyond the Alps lies Italy."—New York World.

When We Work Best.

Autumn and spring are the best seasons of the year for all kinds of work. At a very low temperature both mental and physical work are depressing. Mental work reaches its highest efficiency at a temperature of 38 degrees, while physical work reaches its maximum at 59 degrees for men and 60 degrees for women. Recent investigations show that weather variations are distinctly good for us and promote our mental efficiency.

To Make Bandages.

Bandages can be prepared from the good parts of worn sheets or pillow slips if perfectly clean. Rolls six to eight yards in length are most convenient—one inch wide for fingers, two inches for feet, two and one-half to three inches for head and arms and four inches for legs. A good way of keeping them in condition for use is to seal the rolls in a perfectly clean glass fruit jar.

Dangerous Method.

"What are your usual modes of punishment?" was among the questions submitted to a teacher in a rural district in Ohio. Her answer was, "I try moral suasion first, and if that does not work I use capital punishment." As it was a neighborhood where moral suasion had not been a success, and the children were scarce, the committee took no risks.

FRANCE FIRST WITH MOTORS

Used Automobiles in the Field on the Day That the Great War Started.

To the French belongs the credit for the first use of motor transport in the present war, according to the Fremdenblatt, which says that at the very outbreak of hostilities the French general staff seized 500 Paris motor buses and sent them off, packed with soldiers, to the Belgian frontier, and 1,000 other motor transports similarly improvised followed next day.

As "an approximate estimate" it is stated that "the belligerent powers in the first week of the war made use of some 250,000 motor transport wagons, apart from the great numbers of automobiles de luxe and touring cars that were pressed into service." Of this 250,000 motor wagons France had 90,000, Germany 70,000, England 55,000, Austria 25,000 and Russia 10,000. Their total value is estimated at $200,000,000.

Boy First to Kill Bear.

Dorset Ringler, seventeen, of Trout Run is the first Lycoming (Pa.) county hunter this season with a bear to his credit. Ringler and Floyd Bowen, another Trout Run lad, were returning from an unsuccessful coon hunt at one o'clock the other morning when they heard something crashing through the brush, and a moment later a large black bear passed 20 feet in front of them and started to climb an oak tree.

Bowen was the first to fire and missed. At the report of the gun the bear started down the tree, and as it touched the ground Ringler sent a bullet into its heart, killing it instantly. Returning to the village of Trout Run, five miles distant, the boys awakened their fathers, who accompanied them to the scene and helped get the carcass home. The bear weighed 225 pounds.

A Philosopher's Nightcap.

Many years ago I was in a northern country house in which Herbert Spencer was staying. At that time he suffered from sleeplessness, and one night on going to bed he said to me: "I am about to drink some hot brandy and water in order to restore the periodicity of my somniferous functions."—London Spectator.

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NOT GLAD TIME FOR WHALES

Resemblance to a Submarine Already Is Known to Have Meant Death to One.

"In the North sea lived a whale." That was long ago. Olivette in Audran's long popular operetta told about the luckless end of that marine mammal in melodious fashion. That whale met a torpedo, and, mistaking it for another and undesirable fish of strange shape, gave it battle with dire results. Now from the same region we have authentic information of a whale which was mistaken, not by another whale, but by a warship, for a submarine boat.

The body of that whale has been cast up on the Dutch coast full of holes made by three-inch shells. Perhaps a whale resembles a submarine more closely than it resembles a torpedo. There are architectural differences, to be sure, which would be noted except in moments of extreme excitement. On and near the North sea today, however, there is a great deal of excitement, and this doubtless perfectly neutral creature has suffered in consequence of it. There is no evidence that this whale, like his predecessor, "loved to swagger and bully," or that "the ladies loved him so." Not being in comic opera, he, or she, presumably had no characteristics unusual to the whales of sober natural history. No record of the incident except the stranding of the mortal remnant exists. One who would describe the encounter must use his imagination. A Kipling or a Bullen might be moved to splendid utterance by contemplation of this tragedy, but in a daily newspaper we must stick to facts, and the ascertained facts in this case are scant.

Regulating Electric Lamps.

The demand for regulating the degree of light from an electric lamp has resulted in a lamp which has been recently exploited, containing two separate filaments of the lamp, which may be operated separately or together, giving the lamp a rating of 200 watts, with each filament taking 100 watts. A consumption of 0.6 watt per candlepower is claimed for this lamp, and it has a life of 2,000 hours if the filaments are burned separately, or 1,000 when they are burned together.

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Episcopal.

St. Mary's church, Lookout avenue and Sixth street. Services for Fourth Sunday in Advent as follows: School 9:45, morning prayer with sermon 11. Evening prayer with sermon 7:30. Meeting of the Altar Guild Thursday 7:30. Guild Friendly Society Wednesday 2 p. m. Christmas Day holy communion 10 a. m. Rev. John Lyons, rector.

First Presbyterian.

Sunday school at 9:45. Morning worship at 11. Subject: "The Sun of Righteousness." Junior C. E. at 2:30. Teacher training at 6:30. Senior C. E. at 7 p. m. Evening worship at 7:30. Subject: "Salvation." Jeremiah 8:20. Prayer meeting Wednesday at 7:30. A cordial welcome awaits you at these meetings. A. J. Whipkey, pastor.

Methodist.

Morning service at 10:45. The pastor will speak on the subject, "Our Messiah, Crowned With Glory and Honor." At 7:30, subject, "Shipwreck of Faith." Sabbath school at 9:30. Jr. E. L. at 2 o'clock. Epworth League service at 6:30. All whose church ties do not bind them elsewhere are most cordially invited to these services. Rev. Wesley G. Mead, minister.

Lutheran.

Sunday school at 9:45. Preaching services at 11. Subject of the sermon, "The Christ in a Manger," (a Christmas sermon.) Junior league 2:30. At 7:30 the Sunday school will render the Christmas service, entitled "Christmas Praise." The public is most cordially invited to all services. C. P. Bastian, pastor.

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The first snow of the season has resulted in an order by Burgess Harry G. Hormell of South Brownsville, prohibiting coasting at any point in High street, the longest hill in the Brownsville and for years recognized as one of the best coasting hills in this section of the country. Burgess Hormell decided upon his action after watching the coasting for some time and witnessing several near accidents. He is of the opinion that coasting in High street hill is dangerous not only to the children coasting but to pedestrains and traffice on the street.

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SUNDAY SERVICES AMONG CHURCHES

Baptist.

Bible school at 9:45. Worship at 11. Sermon topic, "What Influence had the Coming of Christ Upon the World?" Young People's meeting at 6:30. Topic "How the Song of the Angeles Christmas Song may come true." Evening worship at 7:30. Topic. "Why Was He Called Jesus?" Members of the Bible School will receive their treat Friday evening at seven o'clock. W. G. Carl, minister.

Washington Avenue Presbyterian

Sabbath school at 9:45. Preaching at 11. Sermon, "The Household of God." Jr. C. E. at 2:30. Leader, Miss Blanche Allison. Sr. C. E. at 6.30. Topic. "How the Christmas Song of the Angels May Come True." Leader. Miss Mamie Rockwell. Preaching at 7:30. Sermon "A Plea That Brought a Glad Response." Strangers and those without a church

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Make your selection early and have your goods packed in holly package—no extra charge.

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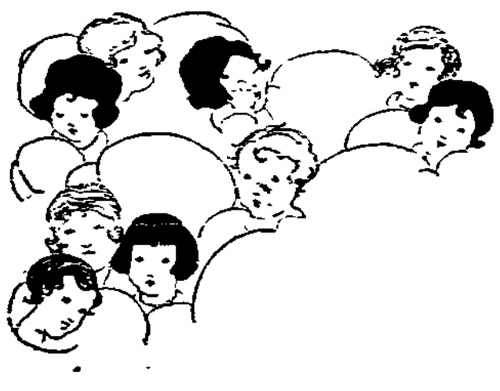

CHILDREN'S WEEK

This store has been thronged with Christmas Shoppers and it will be more thronged the week to come---still we want all the children to come and see all the new toys that so delight the little ones. We want all to come---old and young, big and little. We will always do our best to serve your every wish.

The Tiny Infant Must Have Gifts Too

Yes indeed, the Baby must not be forgotten and its your part to make the selection and it is here at this store so let us help you for Baby.

In our Second Floor Infant Department you will find dainty dresses and skirts either long or short. Slips, nighties, caps, kimonas and bath robes. Also we show a lot of attractive playthings in our Toy basement. Also combs and brush sets, knitted sacques, booties, mittens, leggins and sweaters and baby coats.

Toilet Sets Ideal for Christmas Gifts

We are able to show you a most desirable line of these useful toilet sets. put up in dainty silk lined boxes for lady or miss. Teey are surely nice for Christmas Toilet cases $1, $1.50, $2.50 $3.50 to $7.50. Manicure sets $1, $1.50, $2 to $5. Combination sets comb and brush $1, $2 to $5. Military sets at $1, $1.50, $2.50. Traveling cases 25c. 50c, $1 to $2.

WISS—that's the name of the manufacturer of scissors and other fine steel products. If you want scissors that are sharp and will stay sharp buy Wiss scissors. These are also put up in cases.

BLANKETS.

Ever since this store started we-ve sold our good blankets for Xmas giving. It pays to give good blankets and that is the kind to buy. If a blanket sees twenty years wear, it is some blanket! eh! We can show the goods.

See our plain blankets and our plaid blankets. Prices $2.95, $3.50, $4.50, $5.00. to $8.00.

COMFORTABLES.

Yes, we suggest a nice warm comfort as a very acceptable gift. We have them in all the good colors. Some knotted and some sewed quilts. Prices range at $1.00, $1.50, $2.00, $2.50, $3.00, $3.50, to $5.00.

LINENS.

Ready made table cloths are always good for Xmas. They are serviceable and every family needs them. We can supply some very beautiful Table Cloths.

Table Cloth Sets include the Cloth and Twelve Napkins to match. Some are plain and some hemstitched but all at less than todays value. Prices range:

Cloth and Napkins at $4.50, $5.00, $6.00. $7.50, $10.00, $12.50 and $15.00.

Linen Table Cloths at $2.50 and $2.75.

Linen Towels are big items for Christmas. at 25c, 50c, 75c and $1.00.

Turkish Towels with fancy border 25c, 50c and $1.00.

Stamped Linens of all kinds with all the necessary flosses to finish them.

RUGS.

Yes, we advise rugs for Christmas. You may need a new Carpet or Rug and why not get it now. We have over 100 Rugs on display in room sizes. They range in price at $13.50, $15.00, $16.50, $17.50, $20.00, $22.50, $25.00 up to $65.00.

Hearth Rugs are here in big variety and at most any prices to suit you. $2.00, $2.50, $3.50, $4.50, $5.00, $6.00 to $8.00.

Lace Curtains also make good gifts and they range in price at $1.00, $1.50, $2.00, $3.00, $5.00.

Door Panel at 25c and 50c.

Scrim, Marquesette, Swiss and other curtain goods by the yard. Always good. They will be very acceptable for gifts. Prices range 15c, 20c, 25c, 35c, 50c.

Remember Our Sale of Ladies' Coats, Suits & Dresses. All Trimmed Hats Half Price

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ONE LIFE LOST

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erty. Merchants and residents of Monongahela will suffer losses as many had goods stored on the second floor.

Shortly before 9 o'clock the fire was discovered by Lawrence Hendrickson, of the Union News company. Stepping from the railroad station he saw smoke pouring from the roof of the building. He sent in an alarm and the Monongahela department rushed to the scene. But the flames had gained such a start that a few minutes after they were first seen, the entire structure was ablaze.

Calls for help were immediately sent to Charleroi and Monessen when the seriousness of the blaze was discovered. The men and equipment from the neighboring towns arrived in the nick of time. The three forces managed to confine the flames to the one building. There was not the slightest wind blowing, and this was a big help to the fire fighters.

Once the building occupied by the Barbero wholesale fruit house caught fire but this blaze was put out and it never caught again. A residence, owned by Miss Ida Markell, on the other side of the Young building, a narrow alley running between was on fire several times.

The Barbero fruit company will suffer some loss from water and the side of the building nearest the fire was badly scorched. The Markell dwelling, which is occupied by foreigners, was likewise damaged to some extent.

How the fire started is unknown. It is believed to have originated about the middle of the third floor. So far as could be learned, there was no fire in this portion of the building.

Not until 11 o'clock was the fire under complete control. It was still burning freely then and will for hours. The walls collapsed and the huge mass of ruins were left smouldering.

The alarm came to Charleroi at about 9:45 o'clock, and the call was immediately sent out for local firemen. Twenty-seven responded, and under Chief J. M. Fleming set out for Monongahela. Henry Lowstuter driving the big truck. From 20 to 25 minutes was consumed in the trip. The Charleroi firemen did noble work in controlling the blaze. They returned home at 2:30 this morning.

PERSONALS

Mrs. R. V. Pugh of Homestead visited with her mother, Mrs. Hazelbaker of Meadow avenue over Friday.

Miss Zella Franks has left for her home in Clyde, O.

Guy Nickeson of Pittsburg visited with his uncle, Ira L. Nickeson over Friday.

George and Nellie Crow left Friday for Pittsburg where they will visit with their grandmother, Mrs. J. W. Cordes.

Teachers of the Ninth street school held Christmas parties for the children in the first three grades Thursday afternoon. A Santa Claus added much to the enjoyment of the affair. At noon Thursday the teachers of the school had their annual Christmas dinner in the dining rooms of the school.

Mr. and Mrs. S. D. Hill and son John of Fallowfield avenue spent Saturday in Pittsburg.

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FOR RENT—Two furnished front rooms for light housekeeping. Inquire 636 Mail. 155-tf

FOR RENT—Two furnished rooms. Inquire Mrs. Jordan, opposite railroad station, at Lock No. 4. 156t4p

WANTED—Experienced hotel waitress. $6 a week and room and board. None but experienced need apply. Fifth Avenue Hotel, Monessen. 1 56-t6

FOR SALE—Side board, good as new 216 Fallowfield avenue. 157-t3p

LOST---Neckpiece for set of furs between Beallsville and Charleroi-Monessen bridge. Reward if returned to 655 Mail. 157-t3p

WANTED—Experienced girl for general housework. Inquire 330 Washington avenue. 157-tf

WANTED—Middle aged man for all around work. Apply Elks Club. 158t1

Who is the Boy that Will Win This Suit?

HELLO, BOYS! Here is another offer for the best model made from an ERECTOR Outfit sold by this store.

WE WILL GIVE ONE OF OUR BEST BOYS' SUITS. It is absolutely free, and your chance is just as good as that of any other boy.

Note particularly that this is our offer, and this suit will go to some boy here, and no one can enter except they purchase their Outfit or Accessory Outfit at this store.

This offer has been made at the suggestion of Mr. Atkins, the manager of our Boys' Clothing Department, who is a nxious to have a strictly local contest. You canenter this contest and also the national contest. **Contest closes March 1st, 1916.**

ERECTOR Outfits sell at $1.00, $2.00, $3.00, $5.00, $7.50, $10.00. We can procure outfits also at $15.00 and $25.00; also all the needed extra pieces.

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